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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The following amendments reference the pages of the substitute specification submitted with the Preliminary Amendment on June 16, 2006.

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 19-24 with the following:

Conductive floorings should have an electrical resistance between 0.05 ~~0.05~~ and 1.0 ~~1.0~~ MΩ during the entire product lifetime. To reach this goal, the top coating should not have any or very low influence on the total conductivity of the flooring. The conductivity of the flooring should be determined by the amount and quality of conductive material in the substrate, for example by the carbon black (black spots) integrated into the substrate.

Please replace the paragraph on page 2, lines 25-28 with the following:

For a conductive floor covering the electrical resistance according to EN 1081 will increase from approx. ~~0.05-0.1~~ 0.05 - 0.1 MΩ to more than 100 MΩ when a traditional top coating is applied. The height of the increase depends on thickness, the nature and grade of the top coating used.

Please replace the paragraph on page 4, lines 17-18 with the following:

The top coating normally has a thickness of between 0.5 ~~0.5~~ μm to 100 μm.

Please replace the paragraph on page 6, lines ~~9~~ ⁶ 9-10 with the following:

It was found that the electrical resistance of the conductive flooring (Toro EL) without top coat was between ~~0.03-0.1~~ 0.03 - 0.1 MΩ, whereas the electrical resistance of the conductive flooring (Toro EL) with PU coating without CSGS was > 500MΩ. The electrical resistance of conductive flooring (Toro EL) with conductive PU according to the invention was ~~0.05-0.2~~ 0.05 - 0.2 MΩ.